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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116, IS BEING TRANSMITTED BY FACSIMILE TO THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE, ATTENTION: EXAMINER, ROBERT A. WAX & LISA J. HOBBS, Ph.D., AU 1652,

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

This is a petition for a two (2)-month extension of time to submit an Appeal Brief in the above-identified matter. With the extension, the appeal brief is due on or before March 9, 1999.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the two (2) month extension fee of \$380.00 set forth in 37 CFR §1.17(a)(2) to Deposit Account No. 05-0258. Applicant also hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-0258 any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.16 and §1.17 which may be required by the filing of this paper.

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